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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

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TAGS: PDIP, CASC, NI (PROUTY, GORDON)

SUBJECT: RELEASE OF USAID OFFICIAL

REF: A) LAGOS 7686, B) LAGOS 7684

1. AFTER RECEIPT REF B, EASUM ON JULY 5 SPOKE WITH AMBASSADOR SANU ABOUT PROUTY'S ARREST, REGISTERING DEPARTMENT'S CONCERN. EASUM SAID THIS WAS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF OVERZEALOUSNESS AND IMMATURITY OF NIGERIAN POLICE AUTHORITIES. EASUM EXPLAINED PROUTY'S POSITION AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND NOTED THAT WASHINGTON DISTURBED AT THIS LATEST EXAMPLE IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE PATTERN OF SUCH INCIDENTS IN RECENT MONTHS.

2. SANU SAID HE WOULD SEND MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY AND WOULD INFORM DEPARTMENT OF ANY REPLY RECEIVED. DEPOFF PATRICK HAD EARLIER IN DAY SPOKEN OF DEPARTMENT'S CONCERN WITH HEAD OF CHANCERY AGEBI WHO HAD ALSO PROMISED MESSAGE WOULD BE SENT.

3. IN CONVERSATION, JULY 6, NIGERIAN EMBASSY INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT SANU HAD SENT MESSAGE, AND LEARNED FROM US OF PROUTY'S RELEASE.

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